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## Amendments to the Claims:

(1) Please amend claims 1, 3 and 4.

## **Listing of Claims:**

Claim 1 (Currently amended): One-part case for digital records' carriers with possibility of connection with cases of the same type comprising:

- a lower portion and an upper portion having the form of mirror-symmetrical thin square plates with rounded corners and rounded front sides, the lower and upper portion defining insides formed so as to hold circular flat discs;
- at least one folding joint flexibly connecting a rear part of the lower and a rear part of upper portions; and
- elastic consoles fitted to at least two corner surfaces of the lower portion of the case not covered by the discs, said elastic consoles being adapted for joining the cases of the same type—which—are, the elastic consoles being shaped as rectangular plates—designed so that the lower portion on its three sides is fitted with a slot formed by slots defined on three sides thereof which releases it from the connection with the lower portion, and which is on the and a fourth side connected with the lower portion, the a root—of—which—is—of the elastic consoles being fitted with a groove, and whose loose end is bent at the right angle towards an outer surface of the lower portion so that it forms a low protruding element with a tooth and which is initially inclined at a small an angle towards the inside of the lower portion;
- wherein at least two corner surfaces of the upper portion of the case are fitted with slots with a step for joining the cases of the same type, which are mirror symmetrical by the protruding elements of the elastic consoles into which the protruding element can be inserted with the tooth of elastic consoles of other cases;
- wherein the outer surface of the lower portion comprising at least three spherical projections and the outer surface of the upper portion defining at least three spherical indentations for interpositioning of the cases, the

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indentations having a diameter equal to or greater than the spherical projections and mirror-symmetrical to the spherical projections;

wherein a front side of the outer surface of the upper portion defining a shallow rectangular indentation for a label marking the contents of the case;

wherein the front side of the upper portion is fitted with an elastic console formed by two lateral slots and a transversal groove and which is fitted with a vertical tang with a tooth, and on the front side of the lower portion of the case there is a groove below an edge;

wherein the lower portion of the case and the upper portion of the case are locked by a snapping joint between the tooth and the groove.

Claim 2 (Previously presented): The one-part case according to claim 1, characterized by, wherein the fact that it has been made of the polymeric material by the technology of injection moulding.

Claim 3 (Currently amended): The one-part case according to claims 1-and\_or 2, wherein the cases of the same type are connected manually into separable stacks of two or more cases of the same type using the spherical projections of the lower portion and the spherical indentations of the upper portion so that an upper case is oriented on a lower closed case in the same direction, wherein the spherical projections on the lower portion of the upper case are received into the spherical indentations on the upper portion of the lower case, and wherein the protruding elements with teeth at the loose ends of the elastic consoles of the upper open case are pressed into the mating stepped slots on the upper portion of the lower case.

Claim 4 (Currently amended): A one-piece case for storing discs and which can be connected with other one-piece cases of the same type into stacks, the one-piece case comprising:

a lower portion having a front side defining a transversal groove, a rear side, elastic consoles adjacent to each corner of the lower portion, an inner surface adapted to receive at least one disc, spherical projections located on the inner surface and adjacent to each elastic console, and an outer surface having at least one spherical projection adjacent each corner;

an upper portion having a front side including an elastic console, a rear side, stepped slots located adjacent to each corner of the upper portion, an inner surface adapted to receive at least one disc, spherical indentations located on the inner surface and adjacent to each stepped slot, and an outer surface defining at least one spherical indentation adjacent each corner, each of said stepped slots being adapted to receive a corresponding elastic console, each of said spherical indentations being adapted to receive a corresponding spherical projection; and

at least one foldable joint flexibly connecting the rear side of the lower portion and the rear side of the upper portion;

wherein the groove of the front side of the lower portion being adapted to releasably and lockingly receive the elastic console of the upper portion when the lower and upper portions are pivoted together about the joint to a closed position.

Claim 5 (Previously presented): The one-piece case according to claim 4, wherein the inner surface of the lower portion further comprising an annular projection for holding and centering of the disc, the annular projection having a diameter smaller than the diameter of an opening in the disc, and the annular projection having a height greater than the thickness of the disc.

Claim 6 (Previously presented): The one-piece case according to claim 5, wherein the inner surface of the lower portion further comprising a second annular projection concentric to the annular projection for supporting the disc, the second annular projection having an outer diameter smaller than the smallest diameter of the disc, and the second annular projection having a height adapted to support the disc off the lower portion.

Claim 7 (Previously presented): The one-piece case according to claim 4, wherein the front part of the outer surface of the upper portion further comprising a shallow rectangular indentation adapted to receive a label.

Claim 8 (Previously presented): The one-piece case according to claim 4, wherein the elastic console of the front side of the upper portion further comprising a

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vertical tang including a tooth, and wherein the groove of the front side of the lower portion being adapted to releasably and lockingly receive the tooth of the vertical tang.

Claim 9 (Previously presented): The one-piece case according to claim 4, wherein each of the elastic consoles of the lower portion are defined by a slot defined from three sides thereof producing a free end of the elastic console, and wherein the slot of the upper portion corresponding to the elastic console of the lower portion being adapted to receive the free end of the elastic console.

Claim 10 (Previously presented): The one-piece case according to claim 4, wherein each of the elastic consoles of the lower portion is initially inclined at an angle towards the inner surface of the lower portion.

Claim 11 (Previously presented): The one-piece case according to claim 4, wherein the spherical indentations of the outer surface of the upper portion are adapted to receive corresponding spherical projections of an outer surface of a lower portion of a matching one-piece case, thereby producing a stack of one-piece cases.